

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1-8. (Cancelled).

9. (Currently Amended) A label for being attached to a main part of the body of a container, said label comprising a foam sheet having a an expanded foam layer, in which an outer side of the label has linear depressions formed by pressing the foam sheet so as to have partially thinned portions and provide an uneven surface portion.

10. (Previously Presented) The label according to claim 9, further comprising a heat sensitive adhesive layer on an inner side of the label.

11. (Currently Amended) The label according to claim 9, wherein the expanded foam layer is made of foamed polystyrene resin and the linear depressions each have a width of 0.5 - 3.0 mm.

12. (Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing labels, said method comprising the steps of:

providing a label made of a foam sheet having a foam layer, and

pressing an outer side of each label with a resin plate having linear protrusions, thereby producing an embossed portion made up of linear depressions on the outer side of the label, wherein the resin plate removably contacts the label to create the embossed portion.

13. (Previously Presented) The method of manufacturing labels according to claim 12, further comprising providing an embossed portion on the outer side of the label and providing an adhesive layer on an inner side of the label.

14. (Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing labels comprising the steps of: providing a label made of foam sheet having a an expanded foam layer and a heat sensitive adhesive layer on an inner side thereof and pressing an outer side of each label

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with a pressing plate having linear protrusions, while applying no heat to the pressing plate, thereby producing an embossed portion made up of linear depressions on the outer side of the label.

15. (Currently Amended) A label for being attached to a main part of the body of a container, said label comprising a foam sheet having a an expanded foam layer, wherein an outer side of the label has linear protrusions that are formed by pressing the foam sheet in the thickness direction thereof so as to provide an uneven surface portion.

16. (Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing labels comprising the steps of:

providing a label made of a foam sheeting having a an expanded foam layer, and

pressing an inner side of each label with a pressing plate having linear protrusions, thereby producing an embossed portion made up of linear protrusions on an outer side of the label.